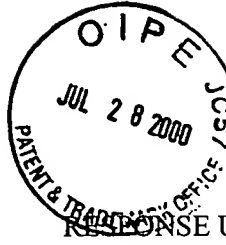


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PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 3700

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT application of) **Box AF**
Jay T. ARMSTRONG)
Serial No. 08/918,078) Group Art Unit: 3723
Filed: August 25, 1997) Examiner: T. Eley
For: IN-SITU ABRASIVE BELT/)
PLANAR CLEANER SYSTEM) Dated: July 25, 2000

37 C.F.R. §116 AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of March 14, 2000, the Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendment in the above-identified application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 20-22 and 24 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend claims 6-11 as follows:

1 ~~6.~~ (Amended) A process for the in-situ cleaning of an abrasive surface of a belt [of] for performing one of [an abrasive] sanding, planing and grinding [surface,

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